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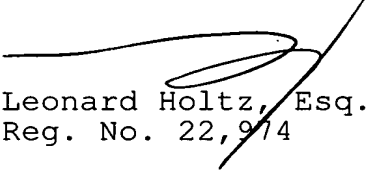
Claims 1-85 have been canceled and new claims 86-170 have been substituted therefor. No new matter has been added.

The original application contained 85 claims, 3 of which were independent. The present Preliminary Amendment also contains 85 claims, 3 of which are independent. Since the claim fee of \$1,910.00 has already been paid at the time of filing, it is deemed that no further filing fee is required. However, authorization is given to charge any additional fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment, to Account No. 06-1378.

Entry of the Preliminary Amendment, allowance of the claims, and the passing of the application to issue is respectfully solicited.

If the Examiner has any comments, questions, objections or recommendations, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number given below for prompt action.

Respectfully submitted,


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